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TO: MS. JUDY HARTBECK
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION
PORTLAND, OREGON

REF YOUR TELEX RECEIVED APRIL 5, EMBASSY WOULD BE PLEASED TO ASSIST MR. CHEW IN OBTAINING ADVANCE APPOINTMENTS WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TO SEE LOCAL OFFICIALS. HIS MAIN CONTACT HERE SHOULD BE MOTOKOV, THE GOVERNMENT FOREIGN TRADE CORPORATION WITH IMPORT-EXPORT MONOPOLY FOR TRUCKS AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES. WE WILL RAISE POSSIBILITY HIS VISITING MANUFACTURING PLANTS, BUT SUCH PERMISSION IS NOT NORMALLY GIVEN. CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS A LARGE EXPORTER OF TRUCKS, ITS IMPORTS MAINLY COMING FROM WITHIN THE COMECON BLOC. BEFORE WE CONTACT MOTOKOV, WE NEED SPECIFIC DATES WHEN MR. CHEW WILL BE IN PRAUGE (PLEASE NOTE THAT AMERICAN EMBASSY, BUT NOT CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICES, WILL BE CLOSED MAY 29) AND MORE DETAILS ON WHAT HE WANTS TO DISCUSS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT MR. CHEW HAVE A VALID CZECHOSLOVAK VISA (OBTAINED FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY, 3900 LINNEAN AVENUE, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20008) AND A CONFIRMED HOTEL RESERVATION, WHICH MAY BE VERY DIFFICULT TO SECURE DURING BUSY TOURIST SEASON. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE THROUGH LOCAL TOURIST AGENCY, AIRLINE OR UNCLASSIFIED

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CEDOK, CZECHOSLOVAK TRAVEL OFFICE. IF MR. CHEW HAS NOT ALREADY DON SO, I SUGGEST HE CONTACT U.S. DEPT. OF COMMERCE OFFICE IN PORTLAND (1220 S.W. THIRD AVE.) OR MISS CHRISTINE LUCYK, CZECHOSLOVAK DESK OFFICER, BUREAU OF EAST-WEST TRADE, DEPT. OF COMMERCE, WASHINGTON, D.C. (TEL: 202-377-2000). SINCERELY,
ROBERT J. MONTGOMERY
ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR

AMERICAN EMBASSY, PRAGUE.

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